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Application No.: 09/763,084 ) Group Art Unit: Unassigned  
PCT Filed: June 8, 2000 ) Examiner: Unassigned  
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For: AQUEOUS SOLID GEL )  
COMPRISING A HYDROPHILIC )  
GELLING AGENT AND A )  
PARTICULAR POLYETHYLENE )  
GLYCOL, COMPOSITION )  
COMPRISING SAME AND USES )

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT  
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)

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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(b), Applicant brings to the attention of the Examiner the documents cited in the International Search Report and listed on the attached PTO 1449. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed within three months of the date of entry of the national stage in an international application.

Copies of the International Search Report and listed documents, including any co-pending patent applications, are attached.

Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the listed documents and indicate that they were considered by making appropriate notations on the attached form.

The following relates to the non-English language documents:

1. FR 2 759 377 - An abstract of the disclosure of this document can be found in the English language Derwent Abstract submitted herewith.
2. FR 2 760 643 - An abstract of the disclosure of this document can be found in the English language Derwent Abstract submitted herewith.

This submission does not represent that a search has been made or that no better art exists and does not constitute an admission that each or all of the listed documents are material or constitute "prior art." If the Examiner applies any of the documents as prior art against any claim in the application and Applicant determines that the cited documents do not constitute "prior art" under United States law, Applicant reserves the right to present to the U.S. Patent Office the relevant facts and law regarding the appropriate status of such documents.

Applicant further reserves the right to take appropriate action to establish the patentability of the disclosed invention over the listed documents, should one or more of the documents be applied against the claims of the present application.

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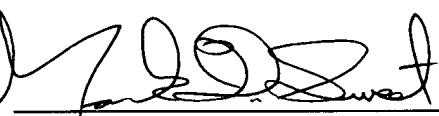
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